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Sir:

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REMARKS

The following documents were cited in a European Search Report of a foreign counterpart application corresponding to the above-referenced application:

- (1) EP 0 827 336 A;
- (2) US Patent No. 5,754,242;
- (3) EP 0 805 591 A;

(4) O. Aaro, et al., "The MPEG-4 Systems and Description Languages: A Way Ahead In Audio Visual Information Representation";

(5) GB 2 298 554 A;

(6) EP 0 851 681 A;

(7) EP 0 863 669 A;

(8) US 5,673,401 A;

(9) EP 0 823 815 A;

(10) EP 0 858 220 A; and

(11) EP 0 843 482 A2.

The Search Report is dated November 8, 2005. A copy of the Search Report is enclosed. Documents (1) and (4) through (10) were cited in the October 17, 2005 Sixth Information Disclosure Statement.

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CONCLUSION

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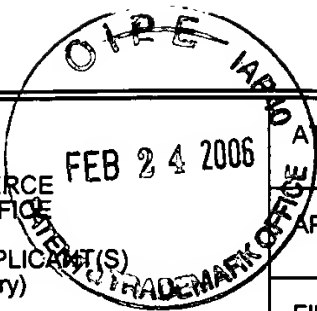
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